UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA ALEXANDRIA DIVISION

JESSICA WICKETT,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 1:24-cy-01869-LMB-WEF

VENTURE GLOBAL LNG, INC., n/k/a VENTURE GLOBAL HOLDINGS, INC.,

Defendant,

NOTICE OF APPEAL BY DEFENDANT VENTURE GLOBAL LNG, INC.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Defendant Venture Global LNG, Inc. hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit from this Court's December 19, 2024, Order denying its Motion to Compel Arbitration and Dismiss Ms. Wickett's Claims (or, in the Alternative, to Stay Proceedings) (ECF No. 35).

Appellate jurisdiction over the order denying the motion to compel arbitration is provided by 9 U.S.C. $\S 16(a)(1)(A)$ –(B).

Defendant's filing of this notice of appeal "automatically divests the district court of jurisdiction over the underlying claims and requires a stay of the action." *Levin v. Alms & Assocs., Inc.*, 634 F.3d 260, 266 (4th Cir. 2011); *see also Coinbase, Inc. v. Bielski*, 599 U.S. 736, 738 (2023) (holding that a district court must stay its proceedings pending the interlocutory appeal of its denial of a motion to compel arbitration).

Dated: December 19, 2024 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 19, 2024, I will electronically file the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send a notification of such filing to the following:

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